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Marietta Power & Water 100<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary



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## Incentives to Help You Save Money Year Round

How old or inefficient is your A/C unit? Did you know that new high efficiency heat pumps cool your house in the summer while also providing heat for your home in the winter? By switching to a heat pump, you could save money all year long!

Marietta Power currently offers several incentives that will help you save even more when you switch from gas to electricity. By meeting a few simple conversion requirements when purchasing and installing new equipment, you can take advantage of these incentives and:

- Save \$500 when installing a new electric water heater and new dual fuel heat pump
- Save \$250 when installing a new electric water heater
- Save \$150 when installing a new dual fuel heat pump

To find out how much you can save by replacing an old gas furnace with an efficient new heat pump or a gas water heater with an electric water heater, please call (770) 794-5102 or visit [www.mariettaga.gov/Marietta\\_Power/resservices.htm](http://www.mariettaga.gov/Marietta_Power/resservices.htm) and click on the

Residential Calculator link. If you would like to know more about how a heat pump works, please visit [www.mariettagapower.com](http://www.mariettagapower.com) and click on Residential Energy Systems.

**Switching your water heater from gas to electric just became simple, fast and affordable.**

Thanks to feedback from you, our customers, starting in September we will begin to handle the entire process of switching from a gas water heater to an electric one! Or if you just want to replace your old electric water heater we can help you with that too! If you need a water heater we can walk you through the selection process, contact the plumber, set up the installation and add the cost to your monthly Marietta Power bill.\*

Call (770) 794-5102 or visit [www.mariettaga.gov/Marietta\\_Power/marathon.htm](http://www.mariettaga.gov/Marietta_Power/marathon.htm) for more information.

\*Certain qualifications apply. ⚡



# Don't Let a Shocking Mix of Water and Electricity to Put an Early End to Your Summer Fun

Water and electricity don't mix in any season or setting. That includes poolside parties, tailgating, or just watering the lawn.

To keep yourself and your loved ones safe from the unwanted consequences of mixing water and electricity, please follow these simple guidelines:

- **Keep portable radios and televisions far away from sloshy beverage coolers.** You don't want one landing in the drink while you're fishing around in the ice water for a cold beverage.
- **Don't touch an electrical appliance in the rain or a sprinkler blast.** You could get a real charge out the experience.
- **Stay Away From the Pool!** Don't bring radios, TVs, or any other electrical appliance anywhere near a pool, pier, or anywhere else they might get splashed by overly exuberant youngsters or adults.
- **Don't Get Corded** Keep extension cords away from puddles, water features, running or standing water. In addition, you should avoid overloading cords with radios, TVs, fans, electric refrigerators, or other electrical gadgets. To prevent falling hazards, keep cords out of areas where a lot of people have to walk over them.
- **Plug Into GFCIs** Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs) protect you against shock or electrocution if an electrical product falls into a pond, hot tub, pool, or sink. The



National Electrical Code now requires GFCIs for protection on outdoor outlets of new homes, as well as in kitchens, bathrooms, and garages. You can find portable GFCIs available at any hardware or home improvement store. If you're not sure if your home or party location has built-in GFCIs, always attach a portable model between the power receptacle and the plug of an electrical tool or gadget.

- **Protect Outdoor Outlets** Use outlet covers to protect your outdoor outlets from rain, sprinklers, or inclement weather.
  - **Water Wisely** When watering your outdoor plants, avoid spraying electric meters, outdoor air conditioning components, or any exposed extension cords in the vicinity.
- For more information on electrical safety, please visit [www.mariettapower.com](http://www.mariettapower.com). ⚡

## Calendar of Events

For a complete list of City of Marietta events please visit [www.mariettaga.gov](http://www.mariettaga.gov) and click on Calendar of Events.

### Friday, August 25 Glover Park Concert Series

Glover Park in the Marietta Square  
AIA (Jimmy Buffett Tribute Band)  
8 p.m.  
Free

### September 2 through 4 Art In The Park

Marietta Square  
Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.;  
Sunday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.;  
Monday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Free  
Call (770) 429-1115 for  
information

### September 9 through January 14

**Trimming The Tree**  
Marietta Museum of History  
Call (770) 528-0430 or visit  
[www.mariettahistory.org](http://www.mariettahistory.org) for  
information.

### September 12 An Evening With History- Georgia's Creek & Cherokee Indians

Marietta Museum of History  
7 p.m.  
\$5 or free for members  
Call (770) 528-0430 for  
information

### September 16 14th Annual Antique Street Festival

Marietta Square  
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Call (770) 429-1115 or visit  
[www.antiquesofmarietta.com](http://www.antiquesofmarietta.com) for  
information

**Marietta Power and  
Water will be closed on  
Monday, September 4 in  
observance of Labor Day.**

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